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NOTED ARTISTS TO APPEAR AT YOUNG FOLKS LEAGUE CONCERT AND DANCE

Metropolitan Opera Stars and Other Famed Musicians
Donate Services for Synagogue Benefit

A concert and dance, featuring world-famous artists and a well-known dance orchestra will take place in the Temple Auditorium on Saturday evening, February 3rd. The Young Folks League, of which Mr. Lester Metzger is President, has arranged the program, the proceeds of which will be given to the Synagogue.

Outstanding international figures who will donate their talents for the evening have been drawn from eminent places in the musical world.

DR. SAMUEL GOLDENSON TO BE GUEST PREACHER "How to Do Justly" Sermon Topic of Emanu-El Rabbi

Dr. Samuel Goldenson, Rabbi of Temple Emanu-El of New York, will preach for the first time at our Synagogue on Friday evening, January 19th, his subject being "How to Do Justly."

Occupying one of the foremost posts in the American-Jewish ministry, Dr. Goldenson is a man of great gifts. His call to Emanu-El followed years of distinguished service as Rabbi in Albany and Pittsburgh.

At the Oneg Shabat, which will be in honor of Dr. Goldenson, congregants will have opportunity to question the guest preacher.

CANTOR SULZER HONORED

The Friday evening service on January 26th will commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the death of Cantor Salomon Sulzer, famed Viennese composer of Synagogue music and modernizer of Jewish liturgical music.

The entire musical portion of the service will be drawn from the works of this great cantor, supplemented by other of his well-known pieces in place of a formal sermon.

Frederick Jagel, tenor and Goeta Ljunberg, coloratura soprano, will represent the Metropolitan Opera Company. Myra Manning, noted contralto of the Chicago Opera Company, will also sing. Other distinguished artists from major opera companies in Europe include Rose Book, coloratura soprano, Igo Gutman, tenor, Max Pantellaieff, bass-baritone, Halka Ricci, soprano and Reinald Werrenrath, baritone.

Instrumentalists Featured

The instrumentalists are also happily chosen, with Harry Braun, violinist, Roberta Schulman, pianist and Lucie Bigelow Rosen, Thereminist, to appear. Otto Seyfert will accompany the artists.

In view of the general response which the original announcement of the program has already attracted, it will be necessary for those desiring reservations to do so immediately. Tickets, priced from \$1 to \$5 may be obtained by writing the Young Folks League, 50 East 87th Street.

THE CONGREGATION MAKES NEWS

Ed. Note: Members of the Congregation are urged to forward to the Scroll news of personal interest that may be used in this column.

Nelson Miller has made an uneventful recovery from his graceful backflip from the west Temple stairway into the court of the undertaking establishment next door. The proprietor ran out but was not fast enough for Nelson who emerged scarred but victorious . . . Milton

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sisterhood Bridge and Mah Jong Party
Monday, January 15th, 2 P.M.

Choral Group
Monday evening, January 15th

Young Folks League Meeting
Tuesday, January 16th, 8:30 P.M.

Emigre Group
Thursday evening, January 18th

Friday Evening Service
January 19th, 8:30 P.M.
DR. SAMUEL GOLDENSON, *Guest Preacher*
Oneg Shabat and Reception in Vestry

Saturday Morning Service,
January 20th, 9:30 A.M.
Junior Congregation, 10:30 A.M.

Sunday School Sessions
January 21st, 9:45 A.M.

Adult Classes—Choral Group
Monday evening, January 22nd

Sisterhood Installation
Tuesday, January 23rd, 1:00 P.M.

Young Folks League Meeting
Tuesday, January 23rd, 8:30 P.M.

Emigre Group
Thursday evening, January 25th

Junior Congregation Oneg Shabat
Friday, January 26th, 5:00 P.M.

Friday Evening Service
January 26th, 8:30 P.M.
SULZER SABBATH SERVICE

Saturday Morning Service
January 27th, 9:30 A.M.
Junior Congregation, 10:30 A.M.

Sunday School Sessions
January 28th, 9:45 A.M.

Parent-Teachers Association Meeting
Monday, January 29th, 8:30 P.M.

CONGREGATION MEETING
SHOWS TEMPLE PROGRESS

Committee Heads Present Report

The annual meeting of the Synagogue membership, at which all the officers, trustees and advisors were unanimously re-elected, took place on Tuesday evening, January 9th. Reports of the status and achievements of the Temple during the past year were presented by the Board of Trustees, the Advisory Council and Rabbi Steinberg.

Reports by committee heads indicated that the Temple made creditable financial and cultural progress during 1939. Mr. Fred Finn, chairman of the Board, disclosed that the Synagogue membership has reached 340.

Dr. Louis Shapiro outlined the spring program of the Adult Educational Committee.

Sisterhood Contributes Funds

Mrs. Irma Heller reported on the activities of the Sisterhood. Sums totalling \$2,500 were contributed by that organization during the year and, at the meeting, Mrs. Heller presented an additional \$500. Mr. Benjamin Sack, chairman of the School Board, reported on school activities while Mr. Caro and Mr. Millheiser discussed the activities of their respective committees and functions.

A recital by the Choral Group, and informal collation and dancing followed the business meeting.

BOOK REVIEW

By Rabbi Milton Steinberg

Montagu S. Modder, Professor of English Literature at Beloit University, has just had published a study on "The Jew in the Literature of England." Professor Modder treats with portrayals of the Jew as they have appeared throughout the history of English literature. He describes Jewish characters in Anglo-Saxon literature, in Marlowe and Shakespeare, in the period of the Restoration, in Victorian and post-Victorian days. It is fascinating to observe how the Jewish personality has been so largely a stock character, either of the Shylock type or of the romantic pattern as in the Disraeli novels and the "Daniel Deronda" of Eliot. The volume represents profound and extensive scholarship and is at the same time alive, vital and readable.

Published by the Jewish Publication Society of America, \$2.50.

RABBI HENRY ROSENTHAL ADULT CLASS LECTURER

New Discussion Group Included in Spring Semester Program

Dr. Henry Rosenthal, Rabbi of the 92nd Street YMHA, will be the guest lecturer at the Adult Classes on Monday evening, January 22nd. He will discuss the "Nature of Religion."

Dr. Rosenthal's topic, to which he has devoted years of intensive study, is intended to supplement the survey of Oriental religions completed by the class on Comparative Religion during the past semester.

Program For New Semester

The Committee on Adult Education, of which Dr. Louis L. Shapiro is chairman, has announced its courses for the new semester which begins on February 4th. The seminar on Rabbinic Literature and the study groups on Music and Hebrew will be continued. However, the course in Customs and Ceremonies, which has been completed, will be supplanted by a discussion group in Current Events which have a significant relationship to Jewish problems.

This discussion circle, to meet on alternate Monday evenings in the Trustees' Room from 8 to 9 P.M., will select its own leaders for each session.

Course on Western Religions

The major lecture course this coming semester will be devoted to the religions of the Occident. The technique used in the analysis of the religions of the Orient will be continued. Christianity and Islam will be treated in great detail.

CONGREGATION NEWS (cont.)

Weill, successful business man, active in the affairs of our Synagogue, the Y.M.H.A., philanthropic organizations and master of ceremonies par-excellence at annual congregational meetings has gotten himself another job to fill in spare moments: he has been elected president of the Old Oaks Country Club on a platform to rid Old Oaks of beetles and assessments . . . How pale all of us must look to the *Fred Finns* and the *Lester Breidenbachs* who reported back home from Florida looking so fit. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. David Nathan on their 45th wedding anniversary . . . to Mr. and Mrs. Milton Heller, Mr. and Mrs. J. Michael Wiener and Dr. and Mrs. Louis Shapiro, also on their wedding anniversaries . . . to Mrs. Max Steiner on the wedding of her daughter, Gertrude, to Mr. John Stefan Dessauer. Best wishes to the young couple.

SISTERHOOD TO INSTALL NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS

Ruth Abrams New President; Musicales After Meeting

The annual meeting and installation of officers of the Sisterhood will take place at 1 P.M. on Tuesday, January 23rd. The achievements and growth of the organization will be outlined by the chairmen of committees and the retiring President, Mrs. Irma Heller.

New Officers

New officers to be installed are:

Ruth Abrams	<i>President</i>
Hattie Weinberger	}	<i>Honorary Presidents</i>
Betty Friedman		
Bertha Kay	<i>Honorary Vice-President</i>
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Clara Lehman	<i>Treasurer</i>
Irma Heller	<i>Chaplain</i>
Sue Shapiro	} <i>Board Members</i>
Letty Osserman	
Stella Hirsch	
Bertha Liberman	
Tess Weill	

Following the business meeting and installation, a delightful musical program will be presented and tea will be served to Sisterhood members and their friends.

Dutch Supper in February

A Dutch Supper, to be held late in February, has been announced as one of the major coming events of the Sisterhood. Active preparations by the arranging committee, of which Mrs. Freda Sack is chairman, are already in progress.

Are You?

Are you an active member, the kind that would be missed?
Or are you just contented that your name is on the list?
Do you attend meetings and mingle with the flock?
Or do you merely stay at home and criticize and knock?
Think it over member, you know right from wrong!
Are you an active member, or do you just belong?

PARENT-TEACHER GROUP NOW BEING ORGANIZED Close Home-School Contact Sought; Meets January 29th

As a result of a meeting on Wednesday evening, January 3rd at the home of Rabbi Steinberg, when about twenty parents of children attending the Synagogue's religious school assembled to discuss the problems of home-school adjustment, a Provisional Committee for the establishment of a permanent Parent-Teachers Association was established.

Objectives of Association

The purposes of the new organization were outlined as follows:

1. To provide parents with a general Jewish background, with specific information concerning the school, so that the home might more accurately reflect, and cooperate with the spirit and conduct of the school;

2. To familiarize parents with the actual workings of the school so that they might deal intelligently with the relationships of their children to it;

3. To establish contact between parents, principal and teachers, thus facilitating the exchange of reaction between the home and the school;

4. To undertake specific projects which would lead to the enlargement of the school program and to its greater efficiency.

First Meeting January 29th

The first meeting of the new Parent-Teachers Association will be held on Monday evening, January 29th at the Synagogue. The actual conduct and objectives of the school will be described and parents will have opportunity to meet informally with the teachers. The parents of children in the religious school and others interested in the problems of Jewish education are urged to attend.

WITH THE COTERIES

The Coteries held their first meeting of the new year on Sunday afternoon, January 14th, at the home of Dotty Dattner. A most argumentative time was enjoyed by all since the program consisted of a debate on the subject: Resolved, that the means of production and distribution shall be regulated by the Government. An ice-skating party is scheduled for January 27th.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TO HAVE ACTIVE JANUARY PROGRAM

Model Service and Arbor Day Celebration Scheduled

A model service will be conducted by the Junior Congregation at the Sunday School assembly on January 21st. Norman Katz, cantor, Sanford Hahn, rabbi, and Harry Chusid, reader, will officiate. This function marks the beginning of a drive to increase attendance at the Junior Congregation which holds services every Saturday morning at 10:30.

The Junior Congregation held an Oneg Shabat on Friday, January 12th, at which Rabbi Zimet discussed the life (and stories) of Sholem Aleichem. The next such affair will occur on Friday, January 26th at 5 P.M.

Palestinian Arbor Day Celebration

A program of Palestinian songs, dances and movies depicting the recent developments in Palestine will feature the occasion of Tu B'Shvat, the Palestinian arbor day festival on January 28th.

An original Purim operetta is being written by the High School classes of the Sunday School. Messrs. Davis and Rivlin and Miss Merlub are collaborating in the project.

BAR-M BOYS HOLD ACTIVE MEETING

Bar-M Boys Hold Active Meeting

An intensive program of indoor games marked the December 30th meeting of the Bar-M Boys, a newly formed club of boys confirmed at this Synagogue during 1938 and 1939. Carrot-topped Justin Greenberg starred in a box-ball game, which was in itself distinguished by the absence of broken fixtures in the Vestry Rooms after six spill-packed innings.

Officers of the club include Elliot Osserman, President, Dick Paul and George Osserman, 1st and 2nd Vice-Presidents respectively, Michael Kaplan, Secretary — and a mighty good one, Peter Miller, Cultural Director and Mickey Finn, Athletic Manager. The group's next meeting will be on Saturday, January 27th at 2 P.M. in the Trustees Room of the Temple.